Agitation by Kendriya Vidyalaya Adhyapak Sangh

1789. SHRI GAYA SINGH:
SHRI RAGHAVJI:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Rashtriya Kendriya Vidyalaya Adhyapak Sangh have recently launched the suspended second phase of their phased agitation from 30th November, 1999;

(b) if so, whether any Minister level bilateral negotiations with the Associations have been held since 18th August, 1999; and

(c) if so, the details of results, if any, and if not, the reasons therefor;

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JAYSINGRAO GAIKWAD PATIL): (a) to (c) the RKVAS had held dharna on 30.11.99 and informed *vide* letter dated 30.11.99 that the association will continue to stage its dharna for indefinite period. But they called off the same on 10.12.99.

As reported by the Association in their letter dt. 22.11.99 the Hon'ble Minister of HRD had already been apprised by them about the agitation.

Propagation of Rajasthani Literature

†1790. SHRI ONKAR SINGH LAKHAWAT: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government would consider to propagate Rajasthani Literature relating to Veer Gatha Kaal, as well as the Literature relating to Bhakti Ethics and History, for education the new generation and for the propagation of good literature in the country; if so, the steps taken in this direction; and

(b) the language-wise amount spent by Kendriya Sahitya Akadami towards publiction of the literature during the last three years?

†Original Notice of the Question was received in Hindi.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JAYSINGRAO GAIKWAD PATIL): (a) Rajasthani is one of the 22 languages recognised by the Kendriya Sahitya Akademi for implementing its programmes which include annual awards to outstanding books and Translation Prices, Publications, Organising Seminars, Workshops and such other programmes as are done in the other 21 language. The Akademic has so far given 25 Awards to authors of as many books in Rajasthani and 8 Translation Prizes. It has published 33 books in Rajasthani include translations. A number of Seminars have been organised on Rajasthani writers and topics concerning Rajasthani Literature as also Workshops. Programmes such as "Meet the Author", "Men & Books", "Katha Sandhi", etc have also been organised in honour of Rajasthani writers.

(b) Sahitya Akademi does not make language-wise provision. There is an overall provision under the head "Publication" and all recommendations of the Advisory Boards in different languages regarding publications are accepted for the implementation. The overall expenditure for the last three years under this head is as follows:

1998-99	Rs. 12,085,000
1997-98	Rs. 10,605,000
1996-97	Rs. 9,075,000

Working Children's National Federation

1791. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether on November 14 this year, the Children Day was observed with the floating of the Working Children's National Federation in New Delhi; and

(b) if so, the constitution and main objectives of this federation, indicating the number of working children in different sectors in the country?